

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Beaver.

The Petition of *Henry Housholder* of the County of Beaver,  
Humbly Sheweth, That your petitioner *arrived in the United States*  
*in the year 1838, and has continued to reside*  
*in United States & -*

within the State of Pennsylvania at least five years; that he will support the Constitution of the United States; and that he doth absolutely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, particularly to the *Kingdom or Republic of France* to whom he was heretofore a subject; that he hath never borne any of the orders of nobility in the Kingdom from which he came, and is ready to declare on oath the truth of these things, and prays to be admitted a Citizen of the United States, and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*Henry Housholder*

**BEAVER COUNTY, ss.**

At a Court of Common Pleas, held for said County, on the — *6* — day of *May* — A. D. 18*51* — before the Hon. *John Bradin* President, and *John Parrot & Joseph Brown* Esq's, Associate Judges of the same Court, came *Henry Housholder* and being sworn according to law, saith that what he hath set forth in the above petition is the truth; and that he doth renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the *Kingdom or Republic of France* and that he will support the Constitution of the United States.

Sworn in open Court.

*May 6. 1851*

*Henry Housholder*

*John Collins Pro*

*[Signature]*

**BEAVER COUNTY, ss. -**

At a Court of Common Pleas, held at Beaver; the — *6* — day of *May* A. D. 18*51* for said County, came into Court, *Fredrick Schramm* a citizen of the United States, and being sworn according to law, saith, that he has known the above named *Henry Housholder* during the term of five years residence, and under the jurisdiction of the United States, as in the above petition set forth by the said *Henry Housholder* and that he has behaved himself as a man of good moral character, and attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed in open Court.

*Fredrick Schramm*

*John Collins Pro*

*May 6. 1851*